HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 109

By Bricken

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate David Lowhorn on the celebration of his 100th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, David Lowhorn will celebrate his 100th birthday this year, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lowhorn was born and raised in Franklin County with his three brothers, William, Sherman, and Daniel; and

WHEREAS, with an unwavering sense of duty and patriotism, David Lowhorn and his brothers honorably served in the United States Navy during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lowhorn served as a Third Class Boatswain's Mate and participated in several battles, including the Battle of Okinawa and the Battle of Leyte Gulf, one of the largest naval battles in the war; and

WHEREAS, he will never forget the explosion in 1944 of the USS *Mount Hood* in Seeadler Harbor in Papua New Guinea; to this day, no cause for the ship's destruction has been determined; and

WHEREAS, after the war, David Lowhorn returned home to serve on a farm and be with his family; and

WHEREAS, a resident of Tullahoma, he enjoys the love and support of his wife, Doshia, and his daughters; and

WHEREAS, as Mr. Lowhorn approaches his eleventh decade, he is still an active and productive member of society, participating in various civic and community events, as his health permits; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate David Lowhorn on the celebration of his 100th birthday and extend to him our best wishes for many happy returns of the day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.